(d) whether any lapse is viewed on the part of the immigration officials of the Airport, if so, the findings of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Two foreign nationals arrived at Thiruvananthapuram International Airport by Qatar Airways QR 240 as deportee from Doha on 21.07.2005. They were arrested and cirminal cases were registered against them for forging travel documents. State Police is investigating into the two cases including their links with terrorist organizations.

An Assistant Police Sub-Inspector, who was in charge of the immigration counter, was placed under suspension pending an oral enquiry for failing to detect the forgery of travel documents by the above foreigners when they left India from Thiruvananthapuram International Airport on 20.07.2005 by QR 421.

Slum clusters in NDMC areas

2417. SHRIMATI KAMLA MANHAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of slum clusters in NDMC areas and the number of them on NDMC land;

(b) the basic amenities provided to these slum clusters and the amount spent by NDMC during the last three years; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to remove these clusters and if so, whether Government would ensure that the slum dwellers would not be disturbed from their places without providing them alternative residential accommodation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) Presently there are 39 Juggi-Jhopri clusters in New Delhi Municipal Council area out of which 6 are on New Delhi Municipal Council land.

(b) Basic amenities provided to these slum clusters are paved footpath, drinking water hydrants and Jan Suvidha complexes. A total of Rupees 33. lakh has been spent by New Delhi Municipal Council for providing amenities in slum clusters during the last three years.

(c) These clusters are to be removed. However, the New Delhi Municipal Council has informed that residential accommodation will be provided to the slum dwellers before the clusters are removed.

Repair of bridge-on pilgrims yatra route to Amarnath

2418. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that bridge on yatra route of the holy Amarnath cave in the Pahalgam area of Anantnag district in South Kashmir was blown up by militants;

(b) whether the same has since been repaired/reconstructed to facilitate pilgrims' yatra; and

(c) if not, by when it is likely to be reconstructed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) As per the available reports, on May 24,2005, an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) blast took place under the bridge at Sadoopadaw, Police Station Pahalgam, Anantnag (Jammu and Kashmir) and due to this blast an iron bridge on Lidder river got damaged. The bridge was, however, repaired within seven days.

Assistance for flood affected areas

2419. SHRI E.M. SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of compensation and assistance so far provided to flood affected areas in the country during last three months; and

(b) the details of the various places in the country which did not get this help from Central Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) As per the existing scheme of financing Relief Expenditure, the State Governments concerned are responsible for undertaking relief and rehabilitation measures in the areas affected by natural calamities, including floods, out of the corpus of the